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Minutes of the Faculty Senate
May 11, 1972

The Faculty Senate met in extra session May 11, 1972, in the Library Science Reading Room of the Rohrbach Library at 10:00 A.M.

Present were: Mrs. Helen Berg, Prof. Walter Bleckmann, Prof. Gino Calcagni, Dr. William Collier, Dr. Kenneth Cook, Vice President Dodson Dreisbach, Prof. Henriette Engelson, Dr. Edward Evans, Dean Josef Gutekunst, Dr. Lorraine Harvilla, Prof. Daniel Hinkel, Prof. Paul Kendall, Prof. William Klucsarits, Dean Richard Law, Prof. Sara Mack, Dr. George Monroe, Dr. Arnold Newman, Prof. Samuel Ottinger, Dr. Earl Reeves, Prof. Dennis Roth, Prof. Edwin Schatkowski, Dr. Thomas Sexton, Prof. Betty Snyder, Dr. Walter Warzeski, Dr. Glenn Webb, Prof. Esther Willits, special collaborator Dr. Raymond Ford, SGB Mary Ann Hickman and Bob Millar for Voice.

Dr. Warzeski announced that a special meeting of the Senate would be held on May 26, 1972, at 10:00 A.M.

Dr. Monroe announced that Prof. Joseph Gallo, Dr. Elizabeth Liddicoat, and Dr. Edward Tracy had been elected as senators-at-large for the 1972-73 term.

Consideration of the Student Bill of Rights was resumed.

6.3 As safeguards for the editorial freedom and responsibility of student communications the following provisions are necessary:

- a. The student communication media shall be free of censorship and advance approval of copy and its editors and managers shall be free to develop their own editorial policies and news coverage. At the same time, the editorial freedom of student editors and managers entails corollary responsibilities to be governed by the canons of responsible journalism, such as the avoidance of libel, indecency, undocumented allegations, attacks on personal integrity, and the techniques of harassment and innuendo. In the delegation of editorial responsibility to students the institution must provide sufficient editorial freedom and financial autonomy for the student communication media to maintain their integrity of purpose as vehicles for free inquiry and free expression in the academic community.

(1) Prof. Ottinger, (2) Prof. Klucsarits. PASSED.

- b. Editors and managers of student communication media shall be protected from arbitrary suspension and removal because of student, faculty, administrative, or public disapproval of editorial policy or content. The organization responsible for the appointment of editors and managers shall be the organization responsible for their removal. Only for proper and stated causes shall editors and managers be subject to removal, and then by orderly and prescribed procedures. Removal decisions are subject to appeal to the established judiciaries.

(1) Prof. Ottinger, (2) Prof. Klucsarits.

Amendment (1) Dr. Collier, (2) Dr. Harvilla: to delete the second sentence. Motion to limit debate on the amendment to ten minutes (1) Prof. Ottinger, (2) Dr. Collier. PASSED.

The amendment PASSED.

Amendment (1) Dean Roth, (2) Dr. Gutekunst to replace section 6.3.b. with the following:

- b. Editors and managers of student communications media shall be protected from arbitrary suspension and removal because of student, faculty, administrative, or public disapproval of editorial policy or content. Only for proper and stated causes, violations of the canons of responsible journalism as cited in 6.3.a., shall editors and managers be subject to removal, and then by orderly and prescribed procedures. Such procedures shall involve the presentation of charges by the Student Communications Media Advisory Board to the Student-Faculty Judiciary.

The amendment PASSED.

The amended section PASSED with Prof. Klucsarits dissenting.

- c. All student communication media shall explicitly state that opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the college or student body.

(1) Prof. Ottinger, (2) Dr. Collier. PASSED.

- 7.6 College regulation - an official rule established by an appropriate college authority governing the conduct or behavior of a member of the college community.

(1) Prof. Ottinger, (2) Prof. Klucsarits. PASSED.

- 7.13 College communications organization - any approved organization which is engaged in college communications.

(1) Prof. Ottinger, (2) Prof. Willits. PASSED.

Prof. Ottinger then moved that the entire Student Bill of Rights be approved. Prof. Klucsarits seconded the motion, and it PASSED.

Dr. Warzeski commended the Student Affairs Sub-Committee for its long and thorough work in reviewing the document and presenting it to the Senate. He also thanked Dr. Ford and Dr. Bucci for their help in bringing the Bill of Rights to approval.

Dr. Ford responded by noting the commendable work of past committees.

It was then noted that an agenda item, the reconsideration of section 4.4.5.j., the article of interim suspension, had been inadvertently overlooked.

Dr. Monroe moved the reconsideration of section 4.4.5.j., and Dr. Gutekunst seconded the motion. PASSED. (12-11).

Dr. Newman moved that section 4.4.5.j. be deleted. Prof. Ottinger seconded the motion.

Motion (1) Dr. Newman, (2) Prof. Ottinger: to limit debate to fifteen minutes. PASSED.

The motion was DEFEATED. (16-9)

Dr. Newman distributed the recommendation of the Curricular Affairs Sub-Committee on the Campus Traffic Bureau. Prof. Ottinger moved that this item be placed on the agenda. Dr. Schatkowski seconded the motion. DEFEATED.

Prof. Ottinger moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Dr. Evans. PASSED.

*George K. Monroe, Vice Chm.
Glen R. Webb, Secretary (G.K.)*